**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—The matter is under consideration of Government.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—Will the Hon'ble Member kindly inform the House when this proposal for a godown was announced by the Government in this House?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—During the last session.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—May I know what progress the Government have effected?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—A report has been received very recently from the Director of Industries and Commerce with reference to the organisation of a company to deal with this matter and in that report he has suggested the starting of a central depot in Mattancherry. This is being examined by the Government.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—The Government have already decided to open a godown so that the consideration is only with regard to the opening date.

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—With reference to the feasibility of the proposal, the Director suggests to have a godown paying 100 to 150 rupees rent and an annual expenditure of Rs. 5000 is required for running the scheme. Government are considering the various proposals including the renting of a godown.

## Nominations to the Legislative Council.

30. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the communities that were given nomination to the Legislative Council inclusive of the fourth Council;

(b) whether the Government have any rule regarding nominations?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—

(a) 1. Valan.
2. Anglo-Indian
3. Nayar (lady)
4. Pulaya
5. Ezhuva (lady)

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6. Protestant
7. Latin Christian
8. Padanna Kanakkan

(b) There are no specific rules regarding nominations. Nominations to the Legislative Council are regulated by section 4 (3) of the Legislative Council Act. The claims of all communities are considered by Government before the nominations are made.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether the nomination is not generally given during he four previous Councils to certain interests, i. e., there was always a Lady Member. There was always a Member representing the backward communities, Anglo-Indians, etc. Has it developed into a practice that these communities alone will get the nomination or whether other cases will come in pursuance of the rule mentioned here.

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—The claims of all communities are considered.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—We find from actual experience—I am not complaining—that there is always a seat reserved for the backward communities, a lady and so on. I want to know whether it has developed into a practice to reserve a seat to each of these communities apart from the consideration of the claims of all the communities?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—There is no such practice. No doubt it is true that a lady has been invariably nominated during all these four Councils. If a Lady Member is returned to the Council by election a lady will not be nominated. A male from another community will be nominated.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. കെ. കുട്ടി *(Muslims).*— എട്ട സമുദായങ്ങൾക്കാണ് ഇപ്പോൾ നോമിനേഷൻ കൊടുത്തുകാണുന്നത്. അതിൽ മുസ്ലീം സമുദായത്തെ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടില്ല. അതുകൊണ്ട് അടുത്ത നോമിനേഷനിൽ മുസ്ലീമുങ്ങളെ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. കണ്ണൻ നായർ *(Secretary to Government).*—ഇതിൽ സമുദായങ്ങളെ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചല്ല നോമിനേഷൻ കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ളത്. ഒരു ലേഡി മെമ്പറെ നോമിനേറ്റ് ചെയ്യേണ്ടിവന്നപ്പോൾ ഒരിക്കൽ നായർസമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നായി. പിന്നെ ഒരിക്കൽ ഈഴവസമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നായി. വേറെ ഒരു സമയത്തു് ആംഗ്ലോ ഇൻഡ്യൻ സമുദായ

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ത്തിൽനിന്നായി. അതുയേയുള്ളൂ. മുസ്ലീമുക്കളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം എല്ലാ കൌൺസിലുകളിലും അവരുടെ പ്രതിനിധികൾ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നിട്ടുണ്ട്. പിന്നെ മുസ്ലീമിങ്ങളിൽനിന്ന ഒരു ലേഡിയെ നോമിനേറു ചെയ്യാൻ സാധിക്കുമോ എന്നായിരുന്ന ചോദ്യമെങ്കിൽ അതിനു വല്ല സമാധാനവും പറയാമായിരുന്ന.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി (*Muslims*).— ലത്തീൻ ക്രസ്തുനെ നോമിനേറു ചെയ്ത കാലത്തു് ഇവിടെ ലാറിൻക്രസ്തുൻ മെമ്പർ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നവോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. കണ്ണൻനായർ (*Secretary to Government*).— നോട്ടീസുവേണം.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know what exactly is meant by the passage "that claims of all communities are considered by Government before the nominations are made"?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** (*Secretary to Government*).—The claims of the communities which are not represented will be considered.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether a Latin Christian was not nominated to the Council at a time when there were more than one Member in the Council returned by election?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** (*Secretary to Government*).—I do not remember.

**Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty** (*Anthikad*).—Who was the Latin Christian that was nominated?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** (*Secretary to Government*).—Mr. P. C. Varkkey.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know under what community the ex-Chief Justice Mr. P. I. Varghese falls?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** (*Secretary to Government*).—He is a Protestant.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know, of the nominated members now sitting in this Council, whether any of them belong to communities already mentioned here? I speak with reference to my Hon'ble friend Mr. Sankunny, to which community does he belong?

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**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—He belongs to the Vala community.

**Mr. K. S. Panicker** *(Ezhuvas North).*—Is there any difference between Valans and Arayans?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—So far as I know the only difference is that one is engaged in deep sea fishing and the other is engaged in backwater fishing.

## Beggar problem—Report regarding.

31. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—With reference to answer to Question 278, dated 19th Meenam 1112, will the Government be pleased to state the progress that has been effected in the matter?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—The ad hoc Committee has just submitted its report. The report is under the consideration of Government.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—Will the Hon'ble Member kindly give a copy each of the report to each of the Hon'ble Members of this House?

**Mr. President.**—It will be published in due course.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—Am I to take it that this will be sympathetically considered?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—It will be considered.

## Civil Surgeons—English qualifications for.

32. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Urakam).*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) whether they still adhere to the rule requiring English qualifications for Assistant Surgeons for appointment as Civil Surgeons;

(2) if not, when was that rule cancelled and will they be pleased to place a copy of that order on the table?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—

(1) No.

(2) The rule was changed towards the end of 1112. A copy of the order is appended *(Appendix II).*

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